

## SCHOOL YEAR 2000-01 OVERVIEW

### Elementary Enrollment

After climbing for more than ten years, elementary enrollment in Montana's Schools has declined over the past seven years. The 2000-01 elementary enrollment has declined 11,444 students in seven years.

### High School Enrollment

High school enrollment climbed for 10 years in a row through 1998-99 by nearly 9,000 students, benefiting from the elementary increases of prior years. The decline began last year, with high school enrollment dropping 850 students in the past 2 years.

### American Indian Percentage

American Indian students now comprise 10.5 percent of the total student population. At the elementary level they represent 11.4 percent of the population and at the high school level 8.6 percent.

### Nonpublic School Enrollment Data

Private and home school enrollment represented 7.9 percent of the reported 2000-2001 K-12 enrollment in Montana. Home school enrollment increased by approximately 173 students and private school enrollment decreased by approximately 274 students from last year. Overall, the nonpublic enrollment showed a decrease of approximately 101 students from last year.

	<b>Gr K-8</b>	<b>Gr 9-12</b>	<b>Total 2000-01</b>
Private Schools	6,391	2,146	8,537
Home Schools	2,754	873	3,627
<b>Total nonpublic</b>	<b>9,145</b>	<b>3,019</b>	<b>12,164</b>

### Graduates

In 2000, 10,903 students graduated from Montana public and state funded high schools. That number is 94 percent of the senior class enrolled in the fall of 1999. An additional 1,436 16-19 year-old Montanans obtained their GED's during that time.

### School District Data (Public and State-funded Districts)

K-12 districts	55
Combined districts (joint board)	105
Single districts (177 el, 5 hs)	182
State Funded Districts	2
Non-operating and annexed districts	5
<b>Total District Administrative Units</b>	<b>349</b>

### School Data (Public and State-funded Schools)

Elementary Schools	482
Middle, 7&8, Junior High Schools	219
High Schools	176
<b>Total Schools</b>	<b>877</b>

### Full-Time Equivalent Certified Staff (FTE) (Public and State-funded Schools)

Teachers- classroom, Title I, Special Ed	10,411
Specialists- library, guidance counselors	798
Principals, assistant principals	502
Superintendents, assistant superintendents	152
Other central office administrators	139
Special Education directors, school psychologists	92
<b>Total certified staff</b>	<b>12,094</b>

### This booklet

This booklet provides detailed public school enrollment data by county, school, grade, and gender. The legal entity code identifies a school district. If that code is repeated, the district has more than one school. This booklet does not identify school districts by name, but the district name and legal entity code (LE) can be found in the *Directory of Montana Schools* [example: Roundup High School (0811)].